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- 1) This cover letter;
- 2) Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement with attachments and with Form 1449; and
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT WITH FORM 1449

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In compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and 37 CFR 1.97, applicants request consideration of the following supplemental information disclosure statement, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(c) (i).

The requisite fee of \$180.00 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(p) is being charged to the deposit account.

Submitted is a PTO Form 1449. Also submitted are copies of:

1. Search report issued on application number PCT/US01/45724;
2. US 5,927,772, (1999, July 27), Antonucci, et al., for RATCHETING PAWL LATCH;
3. US 6,048,006, (2000, Nov 4), Antonucci, et al., Inc., for RATCHETING PAWL LATCH;
4. US 5,076,622, (1991, Dec 31), Detweiler, for FUEL FILLER LATCH ASSEMBLY;
5. US 5,076,625, (1991, Dec 31), Randall C. Oxley, for ELECTRIC STRIKE;
6. US 5,498,040, (1996, Mar 12), Silye, for DECK LID LATCH AND ACTUATOR;

7. US 6,036,241, (2000, Mar 14), Ostdiek, et al., for LOCKING MECHANISM FOR AN APPLIANCE DOOR;
8. US 6,139,073, (2000, Oct 31), Heffner, et al., for LOCK ASSEMBLY;
9. US 5,234,238, (1993, Aug 10), Takimoto, for RATCHET TYPE LATCH ASSEMBLY; and
10. US 6,302,455, (2001, Oct 16), Chao-Lin Huang, for ELECTRIC SAFEGUARD DOOR LOCK;

Remarks on Relevancy

All documents above-listed and submitted herewith are in English. The requirements specified by MPEP 609A(3) and 37 CFR 1.98 are considered to have been satisfied.

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